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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement mailed on March 23, 2000 for the aboveidentified application, Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-9), drawn to polypeptides without traverse.

Respectfully submitted.

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